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Sir:

REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111

In response to the non-final Official Action mailed November 14, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

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Please amend claims 116 and 164 as follows:

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116. (Thrice amended) A method for enhancing the delivery of a bioactive agent from the vasculature to a selected tissue in a patient, said method comprising:

(i) administering said bioactive agent to said patient;